INLAND WETLANDS & WATERCOURSES COMMISSION TOWN OF VOLUNTOWN JANUARY 2, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 7:34 p.m. by Chairman Tom Sweet.

Members present were regular members Tom Sweet, Lester Davis, Dave Miner, Chris Chabot and Carl Grenier, and alternate Bob Panko. Wetlands Agent Joe Theroux was present also. Absent was alternate Christine Driscoll.

<u>In the Audience:</u> First Selectman Tracey Hanson, John Faulise from Boundaries and Engineer David McKay.

<u>Approval of Minutes:</u> Dave made a motion to approve the minutes from October 3, 2019, Lester seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

Lester made a motion to approve the minutes from December 5, 2019, Carl seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

Old Business: Application IW-19-13, Town of Voluntown, Congdon Rd., & Stoll Property Drainage Swale. 182 Congdon Rd.

Mr. David McKay, who is the engineer for the project, was in attendance to answer any questions the board might have. He explained that the purpose of the swale was to allow a steady route for the ground water to get from point a to point b, and to minimize the amount of water coming onto Mr. Stoll's property. Part of the project is to allow for an easement for rights to drain. The swale is shallow, and they would like to avoid the high ground water and allow the homeowner to be able to be able to go back there with a tractor or whatever. There is a lot of buried materials on the property. The swale goes up to the limits of the wetlands. The Town will have a permanent right to drain. The board looked over the plans, discussion took place.

Dave made a motion to approve IW-19-13, Town of Voluntown to repair the existing catch basin, culvert and drainage system located on Congdon Rd., and 182 Congdon Rd. with conditions, Carl seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

<u>New Business:</u> Application IW-20-01, 69 Laurel Drive. Pond construction within wetlands, construction of buildings and roof structures in upland review area.

John Faulise from Boundaries, representing the homeowner, Mr. Peter Monte, presented the board with plans to look at. The property is located on a cul de sac at the end of Laurel Drive. The limits of the regulated area are shown on the map and plan. The plan is to make additions to one barn, remove another smaller barn, and create a covered riding space. He also wants to

build a roof structure over connex boxes for storing equipment. The delineated wetlands runs along the edge of the property and the roadway. They would like to remove the fill from the wetland area and bring it back to its natural state. John showed the board where they would like to construct a small pond, about 3,975 sq. feet and 7.5 feet deep. The owner will be open to the idea of the Fire Department putting in a dry hydrant there. All the disturbance that they are proposing, with exception of the pond, are outside the wetlands area.

Dave made a motion to accept IW-20-01, 69 Laurel Drive, Mr. Peter Monte, Lester seconded the motion all in favor, motion carried.

Correspondence: None.

Agent's Report: None.

Dave made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Carl seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Thomas Sweet, Chairman